Arb. Cases No.17, 18 and 19 of 2007.

2.8.2007. Present: Mr. Raman Sethi, Advocate, for the claimant.

Mr. Shrawan Dogra, Advocate, for the respondents.

By this common order, all the three petitions are being disposed of together.

During the course of arguments today, Mr. Shrawan Dogra, learned counsel appearing for the respondents drew my attention to letter dated 16th June, 2007 (Annexure R-3 filed with the reply of the respondents) which is in acknowledgement of the four letters sent by the petitioner to the respondents. The last two lines of this letter read thus:-

> "It is reiterated that the related issues be resolved and got settled amicably as per contract provisions."

Mr. Dogra also refers to letter dated 26th June, 2007 (copy filed by the respondents as Annexure R-4 with their reply) sent by the petitioner to the respondents in which the petitioner has also offered to do certain things.

Based upon the aforesaid as well as many other developments, learned counsel for the parties agree that this petition be disposed of as settled and the following agreed order be passed:-

The petitioner or his representative(s) and the representative(s) of respondent No.1-Board shall sit together with a view to sorting out all pending issues and resolving all outstanding, pending disputes between the parties in a spirit of an amicable settlement. In such an exercise it shall be the sincere endeavour of the parties to strive for arriving at an amicable settlement. This exercise shall start within two weeks from today and shall be completed within six weeks thereafter. If the parties indeed succeed in arriving at an amicable settlement, it shall be in their interest. If, however, despite their efforts and sincere endeavour the parties fail to arrive at any amicable settlement, the petitioner shall be at liberty to approach this Court once again invoking this Court's jurisdiction under Section 11 of the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 without issuing any fresh notice to the respondents of its intention to do so.

Based upon the aforesaid agreed order between the parties, these petitions are disposed of as settled.

2nd August, 2007. (V.K. Gupta), C.J.
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